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# MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES, RULES, AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO PUBLIC HEALTH.

## SPOKANE, WASH.

### Communicable Diseases—Notification of Cases. (Ord. C-1848, Jan. 4, 1915.)

SECTION 1. The following-named diseases and disabilities are hereby made notifiable and the occurrence of cases shall be reported as herein provided:

#### GROUP I.—*Infectious diseases.*

Actinomycosis.  
Anthrax.  
Chicken-pox.  
Cholera, Asiatic (also cholera nostras when Asiatic cholera is present or its importation threatened).  
Continued fever lasting seven days.  
Dengue.  
Diphtheria.  
Dysentery:  
    (a) Amebic.  
    (b) Bacillary.  
Favus.  
German measles.  
Glanders.  
Hookworm disease.  
Leprosy.  
Malaria.  
Measles.  
Meningitis:  
    (a) Epidemic cerebrospinal.  
    (b) Tuberculous.  
Mumps.  
Ophthalmia neonatorum (conjunctivitis of newborn infants).  
Paragonimiasis (endemic hemoptysis).  
Paratyphoid fever.  
Plague.  
Pneumonia (acute).  
Poliomyelitis (acute infectious).  
Rabies.  
Rocky Mountain spotted or tick fever.  
Scarlet fever.  
Septic sore throat.  
Smallpox.

Tetanus.  
Trachoma.  
Trichinosis.  
Tuberculosis (all forms, the organ or part affected in each case to be specified).  
Typhoid fever.  
Typhus fever.  
Whooping cough.  
Yellow fever.

#### GROUP II.—*Occupational diseases and injuries.*

Arsenic poisoning.  
Brass poisoning.  
Carbon monoxide poisoning.  
Lead poisoning.  
Mercury poisoning.  
Natural gas poisoning.  
Phosphorus poisoning.  
Wood alcohol poisoning.  
Naphtha poisoning.  
Bisulphide of carbon poisoning.  
Dinitrobenzene poisoning.  
Caisson disease (compressed-air illness).  
Any other disease or disability contracted as a result of the nature of the person's employment.

#### GROUP III.—*Venereal diseases.*

Gonococcus infection.  
Syphilis.

#### GROUP IV. *Diseases of unknown origin.*

Pellagra.  
Cancer.

*Provided*, That the health officer may from time to time, in his discretion, declare additional diseases notifiable and subject to the provisions of this ordinance.

Sec. 2. Each and every physician practicing in the city of Spokane who treats or examines any person suffering from or afflicted with or suspected to be suffering from or afflicted with any one of the notifiable diseases shall immediately report such case of notifiable disease in writing to the health officer. Said report shall be forwarded either by mail or by special messenger and shall give the following information:

1. The date when the report is made.
2. The name of the disease or suspected disease.
3. The name, age, sex, color, occupation, address, and school attended or place of employment of patient.
4. Number of adults and of children in the household.
5. Source or probable source of infection or the origin or probable origin of the disease.

6. Name and address of the reporting physician.

*Provided*, That if the disease is or is suspected to be smallpox the report shall, in addition, show whether the disease is of the mild or virulent type and whether the patient has ever been successfully vaccinated, and, if the patient has been successfully vaccinated, the number of times and dates or approximate dates of such vaccination; and if the disease is or is suspected to be cholera, diphtheria, plague, scarlet fever, smallpox, or yellow fever the physician shall, in addition to the written report, give immediate notice of the case to the health officer in the most expeditious manner available; and if the disease is or is suspected to be typhoid fever, scarlet fever, diphtheria, or septic sore throat the report shall also show whether the patient has been or any member of the household in which the patient resides has been or is engaged or employed in the handling of milk for sale or preliminary to sale: *And provided further*, That in the reports of cases of the venereal diseases the name and address of the patient need not be given.

Sec. 3. The requirements of the preceding section shall be applicable to physicians attending patients ill with any of the notifiable diseases in hospitals, asylums, or other institutions, public or private. The superintendent or other person in charge of any such hospital, asylum, or other institution in which the sick are cared for must report the cases of notifiable diseases and disabilities occurring in or admitted to said hospital, asylum, or other institution in the same manner as that prescribed for physicians.

Sec. 4. Whenever a person is known or is suspected to be afflicted with a notifiable disease, or whenever the eyes of an infant under two weeks of age become reddened, inflamed, or swollen, or contain an unnatural discharge, and no physician is in attendance, an immediate report of the existence of the case shall be made to the health officer by the midwife, nurse, attendant, or other person in charge of the patient.

Sec. 5. Teachers or other persons employed in or in charge of public or private schools, including Sunday schools, shall report immediately to the health officer each and every known or suspected case of a notifiable disease in persons attending or employed in their respective schools.

Sec. 6. Any nurse, householder, hotel or lodging-house keeper or any person whomsoever, shall report immediately to the health officer each and every known or suspected case of a notifiable disease.

Sec. 7. The written reports of cases of the notifiable diseases required by this ordinance of physicians shall be made upon blanks supplied for the purpose by the health officer. These blanks shall conform to that adopted and approved by the State authorities in conference with the United States Public Health Service.

Sec. 8. Any physician or other person or persons who shall fail, neglect, or refuse to comply with or who shall violate any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than \$10 nor more than \$100, or to imprisonment for not less than 3 days nor more than 30 days for each offense.

SEC. 9. Each and every person engaged in the practice of medicine shall display in a prominent place in his or her office a card upon which sections 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, and 9 of this ordinance have been printed with type not smaller than 10 point. A similar card shall be displayed in a prominent place in the office of each and every hospital, asylum, or other public or private institution for the treatment of the sick. These cards shall each be not less than 1 square foot in size and shall be furnished to institutions and licensed physicians without cost by the health department.

### BEAUMONT, TEX.

#### Inspector of Schools—Appointment, Powers, and Duties. (Ord. Jan. 12, 1915.)

SECTION 1. The office of inspector of the public schools of the city of Beaumont, Tex., is hereby created. Such inspector shall be nominated by the mayor and confirmed by the city council, and hold his office until discharged by the city council, provided that the majority of the city council shall vote for his dismissal or discharge. The person appointed to fill said office shall be well versed in the duties incumbent upon said office.

SEC. 2. The inspector of public schools of the city of Beaumont shall receive such compensation per year as may be fixed by the city council; such inspector, however, shall receive such salary per month only for a period of nine months in each calendar year.

SEC. 3. The inspector of the public schools shall perform such duties as may be imposed upon him from time to time by the city council, among which are the following duties, which he shall perform:

(a) He shall, during each scholastic year, examine every pupil for defective teeth, hearing, vision, nutrition, and for nasal defects; for the presence of adenoids, enlarged tonsils, and trachoma, and for defects of the nervous, respiratory, circulatory, and digestive systems; and shall upon appropriate forms notify the parents of any student or child in whom he finds such defects.

(b) He shall visit each school in the city daily and receive from the principal of each school a list of pupils suffering from colds, sore throats, fever, rashes, eruptions, or any other abnormal condition attracting the attention of the teacher.

(c) If he suspects that any such symptoms indicate the invasion of any communicable disease, it shall be his duty to exclude such children from school, notifying parents of his suspicions, and recommending that they be further examined by the family medical adviser. Where positive diagnosis of contagious or infectious diseases are established, he shall cooperate with the city health officer in maintaining proper periods of quarantine from school and in securing proper and efficient disinfection before readmission to the schoolroom.

(d) In the case of diphtheria, he shall make cultures from all inflamed throats of pupils occupying the room from which the case developed and shall exclude from school all those showing positive cultures, notifying parents of the results of his examination and recommending treatment by the family physician until negative cultures are obtained, when the child shall be readmitted.

(e) He shall advise with the superintendent of the city schools and the school board on all matters pertaining to school hygiene and sanitation, and shall, in writing, make such recommendations to the school board as will, in his opinion, improve the general sanitation of the schools, or further the protection of health. He shall, at the discretion of the school board and the superintendent, deliver to teachers and pupils appropriate lectures on personal hygiene and public health matters in general, and shall recommend in writing to the school board such drills in hygiene as may to him seem necessary for the best interest of health, the inauguration of which shall be at the discretion of the school board and under the direction of the superintendent.

(f) He shall ascertain the purity of the school water supply and shall also ascertain that the school lunches offered for sale on or near the school grounds are whole-